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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON FROM AMBASSADOR

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TAGS: MASS MARR SA EG US

SUBJECT: TRAINING OF EGYPTIANS IN SAUDI F-5 PROGRAM

REF: STATE 20646

1. ASSUME CAIRO 1109 CROSSED REFTEL. BECAUSE OF
TIME DELAYS IN JIDDA REPORT HAVING TO BE TRANSMITTED
THROUGH DEPT, ICANNOT BE SURE THAT SITUATION INDICATED
PARA 6, JIDDA 0607 IS THAT PREVAILING BEFORE OF AFTER
MY JANUARY 26 TALK WITH MOBAREK. AS INDICATED
CAIRO 1109, I DID NOT SPEAK TO MOBAREK SPECIFICALLY
ABOUT PILOTS, BUT ABOUT ENTIRE TRAINING PROGRAM. HIS
INSTRUCTIONS ALSO ADDRESSED THEMSELVES TO ENTIRE
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PROGRAM, BUT ADMITTEDLY

WITHOUT SPECIFYING PILOTS AND GROUND CREWS. I
WOULD HOPE, IN LIGHT OF MOBAREK'S LATEST INSTRUCTIONS,
THAT SITUATION IS NOW RESOLVED, BUT WOULD APPREICATE
A JIDDA UPDATING IN NEXT FEW DAYS TO ASCERTAIN
EXACT STATUS. IT SOMETIMES TAKES A FEW DAYS FOR
EGYPTIANS INSTRUCTIONS TO PERCOLATE DOWNWARD.

2. AS REPORTED ELSEWHERE, MOBAREK LEFT
THIS MORNING FOR THE MAGHRIB AND SHOULD BE AWAY AT
LEAST FOUR OR FIVE DAYS. I FRANKLY HOPE ANOTHER
APPROACH TO HIM CAN BE AVOIDED, SINCE IT WILL BE
DEEPLY RESENTED AND ESPECIALLY SO COMING RIGHT AFTER THE
US VETO. SHOULD IT DEVELOP THAT ANOTHER APPROACH IS
NEEDED BECAUSE ALL TRAINING HAS NOT STOPPED, I WILL OF
COURSE DO SO. BUT WE SHOULD BE IN NO DOUBT
HOW MUCH THIS WHOLE BUSINESS IS DAMAGING EGYPTIAN
CONFIDENCE IN US.

3. REQUEST DEPT REPEAT THIS MESSAGE TO JIDDA.
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